

FROM WASHINGTON.

(Special Correspondence of the Alex. Gazette.)

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The Danville Grays, Danville Blues, the Chatham Grays and the Lynnhurgh Fitz Lee Troop, accompanied by a band of music, serenaded the Metropolitan Hotel, Southern headquarters in this city, last night. They were handsomely entertained by the host, Major Selden, in the dining room. Senators Daniel and Riddleberger, of Virginia, were present. The former, on the part of the host, acknowledged the compliment in a few happy and appropriate remarks. The latter also spoke, but soon digressing from the subject of the occasion to the Irish question and the treatment of O'Brien in Canada, his remarks elicited evidence of disapprobation that he brought them to a speedy close. Some of the soldier company from his own town, who were present, also commenced talking politics, but they were reminded that neither the time nor place was suitable for the discussion of that subject.

Mr. Conger, the offensive republican partisan postmaster of this city, who has retained his lucrative office for more than half the term of the democratic administration, has nine-five offices at his disposal not subject to the civil service rules.

Capt. Payne, of Warrenton, a member of the Virginia legislature, is in the city to-day. The Captain says he greatly regrets the failure of the recent effort to settle the debt of his State. He says that when the members of the legislature first reached Richmond at the called session, the prospect of a settlement was not at all favorable, but that the feeling in favor of coming to terms gradually increased, and that at one time he thought the question would be settled.

Senator Riddleberger, and his family who have been staying with him during the national drill, left here this morning for the national drill in Woodstock, Virginia. The Senator made no attempt to conceal his gratification at the election of the democratic ticket in his Shenandoah county, at the recent election.

The company drills were continued at the national grounds to-day, among them that of the National Rifles, of this city. Some of the companies have already gone home, and others will go this evening, among the latter those composing the 3d Virginia Infantry, who will leave on the 5:30 boat for Alexandria, where all except the Alexandria Light Infantry will take a special train for their homes. The St. John's Cadets were drilled at a half-past. They did pretty well, making only one really bad break. They will remain here until Monday evening. General Sheridan will present the prizes next Monday evening. The big prize will be five one thousand dollar bills, fresh and crisp and just from the Treasury. All the prizes will be in cash. Some Northern companies have protested against the award of any possible prize to either the Vicksburg Southern or the Memphis Zouaves, because those companies withdrew from the procession last Wednesday when they found that a colored company had been placed in front of them. The most interesting incident of yesterday's proceedings on the grounds was witnessed when Miss Mary C. Vase, a charming young lady from Alabama, left the grand stand, and took command of the Lomax Rifles, of Mobile, and put them through the manual in excellent style.

Among the strangers in the city to-day is Mr. Patton of Richmond, a prominent member of the Virginia legislature. He seems to think that the condition of the democracy in his State is more favorable than many other people from there do. He thinks that Mr. Barbour should conduct the next campaign in the State, and should be the next U. S. Senator from there. Mr. Patton will be a candidate for re-election next fall.

Senator Sherman is at his, the Vice President's, room at the Senate every day, with a messenger outside to keep out everybody except those he wants to see. He is engaged in an extensive correspondence, and is generally supposed to be arranging his plans for the future, he intends making to obtain the republican nomination for the next Presidency.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

The President has designated Mr. George H. Bates, of Wilmington, Del., as a member of the board of visitors to the West Point Military Academy, vice J. Pembroke Thom, whose engagements have prevented him from accepting.

J. Benjamin Hotchkiss, a prominent young business man of Nashville, Tenn., who was shot near the house of his mistress about ten days ago in an encounter with the tenant of an adjoining house, died from his injuries Wednesday. He was engaged to a prominent society lady of Nashville.

On Thursday night two of the visiting militiamen thought it would be a good joke to take a musket from one of the sentinels on duty at Camp Washington. They approached him from behind and threw their arms around him, but the sentry thrust his gun over his shoulder, striking one of the jokers in the face and inflicting an ugly wound. The injured man was carried to the hospital and the officer of the guard said the conduct of the sentry was justifiable.

VIRGINIA NEWS.

At a recent meeting of the Supervisors of Fauquier county an allowance was made of \$43 for fox scalps.

S. W. Simpson, Owl Run, Fauquier county, and William W. Pryor, Slate River Mills, Buckingham county, have been appointed postmasters.

Ridenour, who was convicted in Winchester of the murder of young Broy, and who was granted a new trial, will not be tried until the July term of the court.

At a meeting of the stockholders of the Rockingham Bank, at Harrisonburg, it was determined to throw it into liquidation, with a view to closing business as speedily as possible. The bank is perfectly solvent, but is not paying. The bank is thirteen years old.

CAT AGAINST EAGLE.—Yesterday, near Arena, Wis., was seen a fierce fight between a bald-headed eagle and a large tom cat. The proud bird of the mountains had attacked the cat while it was hunting in the field, and succeeded in fastening its talons into the animal's back, when the battle immediately began and was continued amid terrific yowls of the cat and screams of the eagle. It was a sort of catch-as-catch-can contest, and fur flew thick and fast. The cat was too heavy for the eagle to fly with, but it succeeded in raising it several times in the air, 100 feet or more at each effort, but the attempts to get away by its prey were futile, as the weight of the cat and its fierce struggle for life invariably brought the eagle to the ground again, where the battle was repeated with nearly the same result. In the final bout, which took place on terra firma, the eagle threw up its sponge and flew laboriously across the river, while the cat, much worried, made tracks as rapidly as possible away from the scene of the battle.

The skeleton of a man was recently found in a ruined hut on the banks of the Red River, near Calcutta, Dak., and in the pockets of the tattered clothing were greenbacks and gold and silver to the amount of nearly \$5,000.

THE NATIONAL DRILL.

The work of the Belknap Rifles, of Texas, yesterday, was very fine, and they moved nearer to tactics than any company that has yet drilled. Subsequent competitions proved that they are strong favorites for first place.

The San Antonio Rifles followed, but their exercises caused considerable disappointment. Individual errors were very numerous, the manual was not more than fair and some of the foot movements were far from satisfactory. Their better points were loudly applauded by the crowd.

The Lomax Rifles were received with cheers and whoops, and it was evident that they were prime favorites. Their manual was beautiful, but there were several faulty wheels. In all, however, the performance was above a high average.

The event of the entire week was the competitive drill of the three battalions, Washington Light Infantry, Louisville Legion and Rhode Island battalion, and the scene in drill field was decidedly the most interesting and satisfactory to the spectators that has yet been given.

When the individual drill commenced there were fifty-nine men in line. The first word of command took ten men out of line, and the slaughter proceeded for fifteen minutes, when but nineteen men remained. Finally but three remained, and then there was a sharp struggle; it resulted in Private H. G. Stacker, of the San Antonio Rifles, capturing the first prize; Sergt. Conrad, of Co. B, Washington Light Infantry, second; Sergt. Jesse R. Wagner, of Co. A, Louisville Legion, third. Yelling comrades picked up the winners and carried them on their shoulders for quite a while. Sergt. Conrad was escorted to camp by the members of his company.

The Washington Star in speaking of the Alexandria Light Infantry says: "The Alexandria Light Infantry marched in company front and came to a halt in front of the judges' tent. They didn't drill, however, as well as they looked. They wore black trousers with red stripes, red dress coats with double row of brass buttons in front, small gold epaulettes, and big bearskin caps with swinging gold tassels. They didn't make a good beginning. A gun fell several times in stacking, and their salutes were not in unison. One man saluted with the left hand when all his comrades used their right. They marched rather unevenly, but showed marked improvement in their work when they resumed their pieces. They loaded and fired well, and knelt and rose and lay flat and fired in such unison as to elicit a round of applause. Their first wheel was a wheel in reality, as they formed nearly a semicircle, but they did better subsequently. They came to company front from marching by fours in good style, and they came up in double quick all right. The spectators were inclined to praise them every time they deserved it. Their blank cartridge volleys were excellent. The general verdict was that they did fairly well, taking everything into consideration."

The Republican says: "The Alexandria Light Infantry came next. Their appearance was a little more brilliant than their performance, and the large Alexandria contingent on the grand stand did not seem to be as enthusiastic after a few commands had been given as they were when the red coats marched on the field." The camp of the Rhode Island battalion and of the Virginia brigade is separated only by a roadway. Thursday night there came near being a difficulty. A member of the Rhode Island battalion attempted to cross the Virginia line and got into an altercation with a guard, and was quite badly handled. Subsequently some of the Rhode Islanders made a demonstration on the Virginia camp, but were repulsed without loss on either side. There was a lively time along the line until early in the morning, but no casualties were reported.

On Sunday, religious service will be held by Rev. T. DeWitt Talmage at 3; dress parade at 5. Monday—Street parade, morning; award of prizes and exhibition drills, afternoon; dress parade 5. ARRAIGNING BISHOP DUDLEY.—A Louisville special to the New York World says: Interest in the trouble between Bishop Dudley, of this Episcopal diocese, and the Rev. Dr. George C. Betts, formerly of Missouri, but now rector of Grace Church, the "highest" of the "high" churches in the diocese, over the disciplinarian of the pastor and his vestry to obey the demands of the Bishop for the removal of the tabernacle from the altar, particulars of which and the action of the council sustaining the Bishop have already been told in the World, has been much intensified by a recent sermon of Rector Betts condemning Bishop Dudley's action and defending the position of himself and his parishioners. The objectionable adjunct to the altar was introduced shortly after Dr. Betts took charge of the church, over a year ago. When the changes were finished the Bishop and clergy were invited to the rectory to meet the new pastor and inspect the church. The Bishop attended, but did not enter the church. In speaking of this circumstance Dr. Betts intimated that Bishop Dudley had purposely refrained from entering because he knew of the existence of the tabernacle. If he then intended at some future time to cause the removal of the tabernacle, Dr. Betts declared that he had subjected him "to needless cruelty."

Of the visit of the wardens to the Bishop the preacher said: "He tore from them the hope of conciliation with which they had gone to him, and left them nothing to fall back upon but the reply which they sent or unconditional surrender, which they believed he had no right to demand."

Dr. Betts excuses his disregard of the Bishop's mandate in these words: "It certainly could not have been contemplated that absolute, unquestioning obedience to every opinion, view, or caprice of a bishop was demanded or expected by a priest." The action of the council was characterized as "trickery," and the withdrawal of the Bishop of his apostolic sanction was pronounced unduly severe.

"The tabernacle," said Dr. Betts, in conclusion, "innocent of all wrong, will be removed as soon as may be, but, as I believe, only for the present. On some other day I will address myself to the discussion of the doctrinal questions supposed to be involved in its appearance above the altar."

In order to preserve the eyesight an oculist says that it will be found a good plan to cease using the eyes for the time being, and look away from the work when the sight becomes the least painful, blurred or indistinct, and, after perfect rest for a moment or longer, work may be resumed, to be discontinued as before when the eyes again feel fatigued. The light should always be sufficient and fall properly on the work, it being best to have it fall from above and behind, or, failing this, it may fall from the side. Any artificial light for the evening is good if it is brilliant enough and steady, but when such light is at all painful it is safer to read or write only during the day. Reading in the horse or steam cars requires too great an exertion of the accommodative power to keep the eyes fixed on the letters. The accommodative power is also too much taxed by reading when lying down.

Local Elections.

In Stafford, King George and Caroline the republicans elected their entire ticket.

Rockbridge county has gone democratic by an increased majority.

Koontz, democrat, is elected treasurer of Shenandoah county by 794 majority; Walker, republican, county clerk, by 231 majority; Baker, democrat, for Commonwealth's attorney, by 299 majority; Miley, democrat, by 63 majority for sheriff, and in three commissioners of the revenue are in doubt. The defeat of several republican candidates, who were Mahone men, is attributed by the republicans to Senator Riddleberger's influence. The following dispatch was sent to Gen. Mahone by a republican leader at that place: "Republicans are indignant at Senator Riddleberger's action. This fall to republicans will be anti-Riddleberger."

Halifax county is believed to have gone democratic by 400 majority.

In Greenville, Prince Edward and Dinwiddie, there republicans were almost generally successful. In Isle of Wight the result is mixed.

Campbell and Amherst counties elect full democratic tickets.

All the democratic county officers in Orange were re-elected by increased majorities.

In Southampton county the entire democratic ticket was elected by a majority of 200. The returns from Elizabeth City county were as follows: John Booker was elected clerk of the court, with the following re-elections: Jesse J. Jones, treasurer; A. S. Segar, Commonwealth's attorney; Andrew Williams, sheriff, and R. M. Smith, commissioner of the revenue.

The coalition ticket in Princess Anne carried the county by about 300 majority.

Ran. Pifer, the regular nominee of the democratic party in Frederick, for commissioner of revenue in the southern district, was defeated by J. C. Cammer, independent democrat, by a majority of two. The rest of the democratic ticket is elected by a large vote. Winchester elects a council from citizens' and temperance ticket, except one from the republican ticket. Politically the council probably stands seven republicans and five democrats.

In Rockingham county the following is the result of the election for county officers: Harrison, the republican nominee, defeats Yancey, independent democrat, by 700 majority for commonwealth's attorney; Messerly, independent democrat, defeats Lewis, the republican nominee, by 150 majority for county clerk; Marz, independent democrat, defeats Black, the republican nominee, by 150 majority for circuit court clerk. The republicans elect a full board of supervisors and nearly all the district officers.

In Augusta county the general democratic ticket was elected by from 500 to 1,200 majority. The republicans carry some minor offices, including two of the six supervisors.

The returns from Prince William are sufficient to show the election of the full county democratic ticket.

Returns from Fauquier indicate that Hamilton is elected and with him all the county incumbents and old commissioners of revenue.

In Warren county the election resulted in the success of the following named candidates: Clerk of the county, C. A. Macatee; commonwealth's attorney, E. H. Jackson; treasurer, M. C. Richardson; Sheriff, Wm. A. Compton; commissioner of revenue, T. V. Leach.

In Loudoun the following officers have been elected: McCabe, commonwealth's attorney; Littleton, county clerk, without opposition; Bennett, circuit court clerk; Russell, sheriff, without opposition; Osburn, treasurer.

In Louisa George K. Anderson, dem., was elected over W. E. Bibb, dem., for Commonwealth's Attorney by over 500 majority. M. T. Gooch, dem., present treasurer, was re-elected over J. J. Boxley, dem., by about 400 majority. D. Q. Jennings, dem., was re-elected sheriff over J. H. Woolfolk, rep., by about 25 majority. A. J. Richardson and J. W. Baker, dems., were re-elected commissioners of the revenue. Jesse J. Porter, clerk of the County Court, and Samuel H. Parsons, clerk of the Circuit Court, were elected without opposition.

THE FASTEST BOAT IN THE WORLD.

Messrs. Thornycroft, the torpedo boat builders, of Chiswick, have just completed a new torpedo boat for the Spanish Government, which for speed has beaten anything that has yet been built. The new boat is 147 feet 6 inches in length has a beam of 14 feet 6 inches, and draws 4 feet 8 inches of water. She has twin-screw compound engines, which act independently of each other, while the steering gear consists of two curved rudders, which make her the handiest vessel of the class yet afloat, as she is able to turn about in three times her own length going at ordinary speed, which recently was 15.84 knots with the natural draught. On a trip the other day with the tide in her favor and forced draught she attained the extraordinary speed of 29.01 knots or a rate of nearly 33 miles an hour. Her times yesterday on the measured knot were, for two runs of a knot each with the tide, 2 minutes 10 seconds and 2 minutes 11 seconds; while against the tide for three runs the record was 2 minutes 25 seconds, 2 minutes 25 seconds, and 2 minutes 25 seconds—giving a speed of 26.18 knots or over thirty miles an hour. She is divided into a number of watertight compartments, and in case of being hulled by shot is fitted with ejectors capable of discharging 450 tons of water per hour. She has two torpedo tubes in the bows and has space to carry four Schwartzkopf torpedoes, and will mount four Nordenfildt machine guns.—London Telegraph.

TALKING THROUGH A MAN'S BODY.

Last Saturday Nelson Crane moved the telephone at Creek Settlement from the grocery into John White's sitting room. Just before he took the wires out of the instrument he telephoned home to his sister, telling her to get Lower Deposit, and to talk to her station in about a minute after he spoke to her. Mr. Crane then took the wires from the instrument and held them between the thumb and forefinger of each hand. At the appointed time he received three short shocks and one long one, severe, but not painful. Soon after he could feel a very slight, pleasant, agreeable sensation in his finger clear up to his elbow, and he concluded they were talking. He then put the wires back into the instrument for a moment, and found that his sister at home, a couple of miles distant, had rung Deposit, and successfully held a conversation with that station, and it was all done through his body.—Detroit Courier.

Woman's Face.

"What furniture can give such finish to a room as a tender woman's face," asks George Elliott. Not any, we are happy to answer, provided the glow of health tempers the tender expression. The pale, anxious, bloodless face of the consumptive, or the evident sufferings of the dyspeptic, induce feelings of sorrow and grief on our part and compel us to tell them of Dr. Pierce's "Golden Medical Discovery," the sovereign remedy for consumption and other diseases of the respiratory system as well as dyspepsia and other digestive troubles. Sold everywhere.



TO-DAY'S TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

Railroad Accidents.

PITTSBURG, Pa., May 28.—The latest reports from the scene of the accident at Horseshoe Bend, on the Pennsylvania R. R., last night state that eight were killed and six injured. Four were killed outright and the others have since died. Miss McMahon, a school teacher in Florida, who was on her way to her home in Beaver Falls, this State, says: "I was sitting about the middle of the second coach from the engine. The train was running at a high rate of speed when the accident happened. The shock was terrific. I was thrown violently against the seat in front of me. The train stopped suddenly. In a minute all was confusion, and I was at a loss to know what had happened. I soon heard shrieks from the passengers in the coach in the rear of the one I was in, and I at once knew that something awful had happened. I raised the window and looked out. The sight frightened me. The entire sides of the two coaches immediately in the rear of the one I was in were crushed in. I could see the passengers climbing out over the coal cars lying on the adjoining track. The passengers who were not injured assisted in removing the killed and wounded. It was a sight that I will never forget. Several women in the car swooned away when they saw what had happened."

ST. JOHNSBURY, Vt., May 28.—The scene of the accident on the St. Johnsbury and Lake Champlain road at 3:30 o'clock yesterday was half a mile west of Hardwick village, where the road crosses a small brook which usually dries up in summer. The train going west passed over the road and passed the train that was wrecked at the station beyond only about 30 minutes before the accident. Heavy showers brought down the debris which probably blocked up the culvert. The train approaching had to pass a sharp curve a short distance before reaching the culvert, but there was not sufficient evidence of trouble to cause apprehension. The engine passed over, but the tender went down and car after car until five were shot over. The car next to the engine was loaded with lumber, which slid off, carrying away the cab of the engine and inflicting injuries to the employees. Fireman Tatrow was found with his head against the boiler, dead. Engineer Chappell lay on one side of the engine with one leg broken in two places. He died at 10 o'clock. Conductor Wilcomb, who was on the engine, lay on the opposite side from the engine. He had a gash in one leg 17 inches long and one ankle fractured. He was brought here this morning and will probably recover. Engineer Chappell leaves a widow. Fireman Tatrow leaves a widow and one child.

Foreign News.

GLASGOW, May 28.—A terrible explosion has occurred in the Urdon coal pit at Blantyre, a village in Lanarkshire, eight miles from this city. Two hundred and twenty miners are entombed in the pit and it is feared that all have perished. The shaft is blocked with debris caused by the explosion. Further particulars of the explosion in the Urdon pit show that the number of men entombed was less than first reported. Forty-five miners who were imprisoned in the upper seam of the pit were rescued, but one of them died after being brought to the surface.

DUBLIN, May 28.—Cardinal Gibbons will sail for New York on the steamer Umbria. He will embark at Queenstown to-morrow.

BRUSSELS, May 28.—The socialists have taken advantage of the strikes in Belgium to make demonstrations at various places. They have held several meetings at which violent speeches were made, the red flag displayed, and the Marseillaise sung.

CALCUTTA, May 28.—The cyclone which visited this section of the country yesterday was very destructive. A local steamer with 750 persons aboard was caught by the cyclone and is missing. It is feared she is lost with all aboard. The district of Orissa was completely devastated by the cyclone.

LONDON, May 28.—The Paris correspondent of the Times telegraphs that M. Rouvier has formed a Cabinet, as follows: M. Rouvier, Premier and Minister of Finance; M. Flourens, Minister of Foreign Affairs; M. Spuler, Minister of Justice; M. Fallieres, Minister of the Interior and of Public Worship; General Saussier, Minister of War; Admiral Jaures, Minister of Marine; M. Devolle, Minister of Agriculture; M. Etienne, Minister of Public Works; M. Cochery, Minister of Posts and Telegraphs; M. Berthelot, Minister of Public Instruction. The cabinet is composed, the correspondent says, of moderate republicans or of the union of the left.

ST. PETERSBURG, May 28.—The Novoe Vremya discredits the report that a conspiracy against the Sultan has been discovered in the palace at Constantinople. Referring to the matter, the Novoe Vremya says: "In any case Russia must make the Porte understand that Turkish opposition to Russia's Bulgarian views will sooner or later result seriously for Turkey."

Shot by Burglars.

COLUMBUS, O., May 28.—Chas. Peakes, a dairyman on the outskirts of the city, heard burglars about his house early yesterday morning and raised a window. As he did so they opened fire upon him and one of the bullets took effect in his abdomen, from the effects of which he will die. Suspicion rested upon three young men who had previously been in his employ. Detectives arrested Edward Brantingham and Orey and Raymond Judy, the three young men referred to, and last night they confessed they made the murderous assault on the life of Peakes. They had gone there for the purpose of burglarizing the house, and when they found they had been probably recognized by Peakes they concluded to take his life. The revolvers were found upon their persons.

The National Encampment.

WASHINGTON, May 28.—The Michigan company made a good appearance and a fair but not brilliant record.

The Bullen's Guards, of Kansas City, were clad in sober grey, with black waist belts and white helmets. Their performance was faulty in many respects, and their record will probably not pass much above the medium line.

A brisk little shower dampened the spirits of the spectators and the clothing of the men.

The Wooster City Guards (Ohio) wore a wealth of brass buttons upon their grey coats and white horse tails upon their dark blue helmets. There were many features of conspicuous merit in their work at the manual and a few rather serious faults in their marching. As a whole they made a very good record.

Requisition for a Murderer.

OMAHA, Neb., May 28.—Sheriff Hallam of Washington county, Ill., secured extradition papers from the Governor in Lincoln yesterday for the arrest of Robt. Gore, who is wanted for a murder committed at Nashville, Ill., twenty years ago. Gore has resided on the frontier of Nebraska and his detection came from his boasting of killing his man in Nashville, Ill. Sheriff Hallam is now in western Nebraska after his man, who is already under arrest.

Forest Fires.

CHICAGO, May 28.—The Marquette correspondent of the Times in a dispatch about the forest fires, which have devastated the Northern peninsula of Michigan during the past fortnight, says that a careful estimate puts the total loss at \$7,000,000, including \$2,500,000 caused by the destruction of the town of Lake Linden. Only eight lives are positively known to have been lost. Great destitution prevails throughout the burned district.

An Imposter.

EVANSVILLE, Ind., May 28.—Business men and banks throughout the country are warned against a man calling himself P. I. Sutherland, who claims to represent a tobacco manufacturing company, of Henderson, Ky., and has committed several forgeries in Georgia, Florida, Indiana, Texas and other States. He is about 22 years old, weighs 135 pounds and is sleek and plausible. He was recently in Texas working his way northwardly.

Seizure of a Bark.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 28.—Customs officers yesterday afternoon seized the German bark Nautilus, which recently arrived here from Hamburg. The vessel was searched and \$3,000 worth of Havana cigars and a quantity of French brandy found. The brandy was found in boxes labeled "salt pork." The search will be continued to-day. A number of arrests will probably be made.

Fire.

LOCK HAVEN, Pa., May 28.—A large steam saw mill at Snowshoe, owned by Byers, Hopkins & Co., of this city, was burned this morning. The mill was built at a cost of \$30,000; insurance, \$10,000.

Boiler Explosion.

MEMPHIS, May 28.—The boiler of the Natchez Cotton Factory at Natchez, Miss., exploded this morning at 6:45 o'clock. Many of the employees were killed and injured.

Assignment.

NEW YORK, May 28.—George Frey, furniture dealer, of 182 Broadway, made an assignment to day to John M. Karsch, with preferences amounting to \$3,000.

Dead.

BOSTON, Mass., May 28.—State Insurance Commissioner Jno. K. Tarbox, of Lawrence, died early this morning in this city.

Appointment.

WASHINGTON, May 28.—John E. Wiley, of Macon, Ga., has been appointed a postoffice inspector on mail depredations.

FALL OF A METEOR.

Robert Wells saw a meteor fall on the Harvey farm, about six miles east of Elmira, N. Y., about 11 o'clock Wednesday night. It was discovered that the meteor had sunk into the earth at a great depth, making a pit forty feet across by twenty feet deep in the heretofore even surface of a ten-acre lot. The meteor was accompanied by a loud, roaring noise, which was heard by many persons, although Mr. Wells seems to be the only one who saw it. He says it was of a bright grayish color.

THE STAR OF BETHLEHEM.—A gentleman from Hartford, Ky., states that Prof. John M. Klein, Kentucky's great astronomer, discovered the Star of Bethlehem Monday night about 7 o'clock. Its position is in the northwestern heavens, closely skirting the horizon. Its lustre is most intense. This is the same star that guided the Wise Men of the East to the manger where the infant Saviour lay. Its period is about three hundred years, and astronomers have been on the lookout for it for several years past.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

In Memoriam.

THE LATE DR. W. B. GREGORY.—Having retired some years since from the active practice of a profession he would have adorned, in consequence of ill-health, the death of the late William B. Gregory, M. D., was naturally not felt by the community at large to the extent the loss of one who respected his equal who would have been engaged in the active duties of life and seen daily upon the streets. But to his family, who looked up to, loved and honored him, and to a very large circle of friends, his death will be keenly felt. Doctor Gregory was no ordinary man; he was possessed of a fine intellect, fully cultivated by a thorough education and constant, thoughtful reading of the best authors. He was thoroughly conversant in his views, decided in the maintenance of them, yet ever modest and moderate in asserting them. To say that he was a model gentleman—a gentleman by instinct, by nature—gentle, considerate, amiable and kind, all who knew him well attested. He practiced all of the Christian virtues and lived as pure a life as the most pretentious professor of religion. Duty to God and man was his rule of life. Without professing to be a Christian, he was one in fact—one who by comparison put to the blush many so-called who criticized harshly a modesty that boasted not and whose virtues they would do well to emulate. Others have known him longer, a few have perhaps regarded him as highly, but none have valued his friendship or loved him more than the writer. M.

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